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Dear Prof. Lederberg:

I am interested in doing biochemical research particularly in the field of nucleic acids, where I have had some experience.

My background is as follows: I did my undergraduate work at Columbia College in New York City where I majored in chemistry and biochemistry. I have taken the usual courses, Organic Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Colloidal Chemistry. While at Columbia, I also had the opportunity to tomplete the normal courses of a first year graduate studemt. These courses included Advanced Organic Chemistry, a mechanism course; Techniques in Organic Chemistry, which included Qualitative Organic Analysis; Biochemistry, taught by Prof. David Shemin; a course in the Mechanisms of Biochemical Reactions, taught by Prof. Robert R. Becker and Prof. Ronald Breslow; Prof. Chargaff's course in Nucleic Acids and a course in Techniques of Biochemical Research. I also did some research on the metabolism of ascorbic acid under the direction of Prof. Becker, and was a teaching assistant as well as a research assistant.

I have spent the last year in Dr. Ochoa's department at New York University School of Medicine doing graduate work and research on the incorporation of cysteine into soluble RNA.

I was wondering whether you might know of employment for the * balance of the year after which I intend to resume graduate work.

I thank you for your consideration and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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